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## WAR AGAINST CORRUPTION

JUDGE Mills-Owens' criticisms of Police methods in a corruption case yesterday touch on a delicate and controversial issue. The question is how far should the Police go in attempting to secure evidence? The Anti-corruption Branch, knowing the difficulty of bringing a case which might result in a conviction, have been driven to extremes. But methods such as those employed by Detective Inspector Ross are not uncommon. The China Mail yesterday reported the case of the Policeman disguised as a woman who walked the streets to trap mischievous makers.

The difficulty of anti-corruption work has been fully illustrated recently. The biggest problem is the reluctant witness. Then there have been allegations that witnesses are bribed to give false evidence. There is the hostility with which some members of the Police Force and Government officers regard the activities of the corruption investigators, and also the reluctance of certain Government officers, on moral grounds, to use recognised Police methods to secure evidence.

IT may thus be truly said that the policeman's lot is not a happy one. But like any other branch of the Police department the corruption investigators have a job to do; that is to expose, prevent and deter a particularly deeprooted, tenacious and subtle form of crime. They are aware both of its prevalence and of the difficulty of exposing it. Understandably their methods tend to differ from those of other branches of the force which employ classical, accepted procedures with far more rewarding results.

Judge Mills-Owens however did well to indicate where the line must be drawn. Sympathy must be felt for the investigators who have such a thankless and frustrating task and it is to be hoped that the corruption investigators are not reproached for over-enthusiasm.

EXPERIENCE may show that the best method of dealing with this problem in Government service will be through the measures promulgated last year whereby officers believed to be involved will be investigated privately. It is true that as a result corruption may be more carefully concealed. It is also true that the person who offers the bribe will be as difficult to prosecute as ever. It does, however, appear to be a better method of dealing with the corruptible official and it is to be hoped that it succeeds as a deterrent where court action has so far failed.

It is tempting to argue that since there is no obvious or simple remedy and since legislation for more drastic sentences is unlikely to reduce the incidence of corruption, the existence should be accepted as a regrettable feature of our system. But the majority of the public who despise this practice must ask the Police to press on with the job in spite of the obstacles. The hope must be that patience and perseverance coupled with the co-operation of right-minded people will bring their rewards in the end.

# UN requests evacuation of demilitarised zone SYRIAN GUNS OPEN FIRE UAR forces expect attack by Israelis

Tel Aviv, Feb. 2.  
An Israeli military spokesman tonight reported a fresh burst of firing from Syrian positions in the "trouble area" along the border with Israel.

He said the firing—mainly from small arms—lasted 20 minutes and was aimed at 10 points near the village of Beit Katsa, which was accompanied by some mortar blasts.

Meanwhile the Chief of Operations of the UAR First Army claimed in Damascus tonight there was a heavy concentration of Israeli troops in the tense region south of the sea of Galilee, and said First Army commanders expected a fresh Israeli attack at any time.

### ON ACTION

United Nations officials have called on Syrian soldiers to evacuate the village of Kibrit Tawfiq, in the Israeli demilitarized zone.

The chairman of the Israeli Armistice Commission informed an Israeli representative of this tonight.

The village was destroyed by the Israeli forces about 48 hours ago.

Then it was recaptured yesterday by about 40 Syrian soldiers.

Israeli army circles said the Syrians were rebuilding fortifications in the village, which is southeast of Lake Tiberias.

### SOVIET ARMS

The Israeli Army spokesman tonight showed to newsmen Soviet and Czechoslovakian made arms captured by Israeli forces in Sunday night's action against the Syrian army positions inside the Israeli demilitarized zone.

Among these arms were a new Soviet automatic carbine, a heavy machine gun and a Czechoslovakian anti-tank gun.

—AFP.

### Detective found shot

London, Feb. 3.  
One of Scotland Yard's most brilliant detectives was discovered shot dead in his office at Hackney Police Station, east London yesterday. Detective Superintendent Owen Richards, 55, a married man with a grown up family, was found with a head wound and a revolver was by his side.

### Wholesale punctures

Waco, Feb. 2.  
A keg of roofing nails fell from a truck. The keg split and nails were scattered over the highway for more than 100 yards. Within a matter of minutes, seven cars had to pull on the road with up to four punctures each. The highway patrol then closed the road until the nails were cleaned up. —UPI.

### Back To Normal

London, Feb. 2.  
Underground train services in London were back to normal today following yesterday's one-day strike which caused chaotic conditions for thousands of travellers and one of the worst traffic jams in the capital for several years. —Reuters.

### Churchill painting for charity

Sir Evelyn Wren, founder of the English Speaking Union and the Overseas League, arrived in Hongkong this morning by C.P.A.

Sir Evelyn is at present touring South-east Asia to complete a survey of business concerning the English Speaking Union and the Overseas League.

### Special laws for Algeria

Paris, Feb. 3.

The French National Assembly early this morning gave the Government authority to write its own laws for the next year to avoid any recurrence of the Algerian revolt.

The vote was 449 to 79 in favour of the bill giving broad special powers to the government.

Premier Michel Debre had promised that they would be used only for maintenance of order, safeguarding the republic and pacification and administration of Algeria. He promised that no basic civil liberties would be endangered.

In Algiers life resumed its normal pace and appearance today in the wake of last week's bitter uprising, with crowded buses and long queues marking the end of working hours, and cars moving at walking pace towards the suburbs.

An official spokesman of the Delegation-General told a press conference last night that when rebel leader Pierre Laguillaud surrendered on Monday with more than 40 of his supporters he knew he was going to be arrested and flown to Paris.

This squashed rumours, which had angered some Laguillaud sympathisers, that the surrender had been brought about by misleading the rebels as to their fate.

The spokesman said: "There was never any question of M. Laguillaud being accepted in the army, but only his followers."

### Ortiz mystery

It was business as usual today in "Le Forum," the cafe owned by 45-year-old Joseph Ortiz, the insurrectionist leader who disappeared before the surrender yesterday or the man behind the barricades.

A group of young men sitting at the counter shrugged their shoulders, smiled and turned when asked what had happened to the cafe's ex-rebel owner.

The Moslem barman said: "We do not know where M. Ortiz is. Madame Ortiz is still in their apartment in the centre of the town, awaiting word of him."

There is a warrant out for M. Ortiz's arrest. He is rumoured to have fled to Switzerland or Spain. —All agencies.

### CJ leaves on holiday

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### Belated engagement



There was a belated engagement party last Friday for

Dolly Felix (pictured here), the wealthy U.S. socialite, and

Don Gonzalo, Victor de Bourbon, nephew of Don Juan, the Spanish pretender. Miss Felix who inherited more than

\$2,000,000 from her father, arrived in Paris last week.

She became engaged to Don Gonzalo just before Christmas.

They are both 22. No wedding date has been fixed. —Express photo.

Then he fled to a wood and shot himself in the head with the same shotgun.

Principal Leonard O. Redden, 44, stalked into the geography class of Miss Harriet Robson, 52.

"They aren't going to hang me!" Redden shouted. Then he fired at Miss Robson with a 12-gauge, single-barrel shotgun.

She fell to the floor without a sound.

The pupils thought it was a joke until they saw Miss Robson's blood.

Hysterical and screaming, they crowded after the principal. He waved them back with the shotgun, then walked up a ramp to the class of Mrs. Minnie McFerren, 62.

Redden was lying on his side, one arm under his head, as though sleeping. —AP.

—UPI.

About four hours later, a former spotted the car.

State policemen, deputies, city police and armed furriers scoured the woods and thickets in the area.

Redden's body was found about a mile and a half from his car.

Redden was lying on his side, one arm under his head, as though sleeping. —AP.

—UPI.

Finally the return was submitted to the Department on December 4.

Mr Cunningham said Shiu's firm was registered in Hongkong with an authorized capital of \$6 million.

Mr Morris fined Wong Boi, sole proprietor of Hongkong Sporting Arms Co., 22 Pottinger Street, ground floor, \$600 for failing to submit a return for business profits tax.

Mr Cunningham said a return form was sent to the defendant on April 1, last.

After three reminders he submitted the return to the Department in December.

Mr Cunningham said the profit in the company's accounts showed \$2,000.

—UPI.

British satellite planned

London, Feb. 2.

The Three-Party anti-Communist Alliance has won a crushing victory in the Kerala State elections over the Communists whose State Government was dismissed after prolonged rioting last July.

But, although the Alliance was only one short of an absolute majority with 39 results still to come, the total Communists' vote has not fallen.

The Alliance has secured victory with the votes of people who did not bother to vote at the last election but apparently went to the polls yesterday to demonstrate their opposition to the Communists after experiencing 28 months of their rule.

RESULTS

With results declared for 87 out of the 120 legislative seats, the state of the parties tonight was:

ANTI-COMMUNIST ALIANCE..... 63

CONGRESS PARTY..... 41

RAJAS SOCIALIST PARTY..... 15

MUSLIM LEAGUE..... 7

COMMUNIST PARTY..... 19

COMMUNIST SPONSORED INDEPENDENTS..... 2

INDEPENDENTS..... 3

THE REMAINING 38 RESULTS WILL BE DECLARED TOMORROW.

In the Old House the Communists had 60 seats and formed the Government with the support of five Independents.

The former Chief Minister, Mr. E.M.S. Namboodiripad, and three of his former ministers were re-elected today, but five of his former Cabinet colleagues were defeated. —Reuters.

—UPI.

# UK's ECONOMY STRONGER

## London Market dull

London, Feb. 2. Labour troubles slowed trading on the London Stock Exchange today for the second straight day. Industrialists were irregular with leaders reacting uncertainly after showing early gains. Oil shares tended lower and coppers were dull following a fall in the price of the metal.

Leading oil shares were also lower, although holding fairly steady despite the latest Middle-East flare-up.

British Government bonds continued their recent improvement.—AP.

### Closing prices

British Transport 3%—1970/88

Consols 2%—1945/10.00

Conversion Loan 3%—1969

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# MAC MEETS S. AFRICAN LIBERALS

AT GARDEN PARTY,  
A CHANCE TO HEAR  
CRITICS OF GOVT.

Capetown, Feb. 2.  
A garden party at the home of Britain's High Commissioner to South Africa today turned into a stage for political talks between the British Premier, Mr Harold Macmillan and South African Liberal leaders.

This was the only opportunity Mr Macmillan was given to meet opinion which apart from non-white leaders was opposed to the national government.

The garden party was held in Mr Macmillan's honour by High Commissioner Sir John Maude on the lawns of the white

Mrs Ballinger was followed by the Anglican Archbishop of Capetown, the Most Rev. Joost de Blank, one of the Government's most outspoken and harshest critics, and then by Patrick Duncan, chairman of the Liberal party.

#### IRRITATED

Mrs Ballinger said she was informed only an hour before the party began that Mr Macmillan wanted to meet her. The message was given her by Mr Eric Louw, South African Minister of External Affairs.

According to a source close to him, Mr Macmillan was "irritated" by difficulties put in the way of his meeting non-white political leaders by the South African Government's arrangements.

It is understood Mr Macmillan realised it would be awkward if he insisted on meeting non-whites, but he made it clear he did want to see the Liberals and get from them views fairly near to the non-whites.

Mrs Ballinger, Mr Duncan and Archbishop De Blank told Mr Macmillan of their belief that non-whites should be allowed to play a greater part in the government and that the strict segregation (apartheid) policy of the nationalists is taking the country in the wrong direction.

Mr Macmillan, as usual, listened intently to their views but did not comment on them. He reported, however, that he did express interest in white co-operating more with the African middle classes, which are growing in South Africa, and using them to mould "primitive" Africans.

#### DANGEROUS

This is in accordance with the Premier's views, indicated in his various speeches during his tour, that African nationalism is as dangerous a force as white nationalism.

It is highly unlikely now that Mr Macmillan will get a chance to non-whites, for his arrangements are so tight that no opportunity appears to present itself.

As one Liberal said at a party: "Macmillan is rather like a prisoner in Groote Schuur" (Groote Schuur is the official residence of the South African Premier).—UPI.

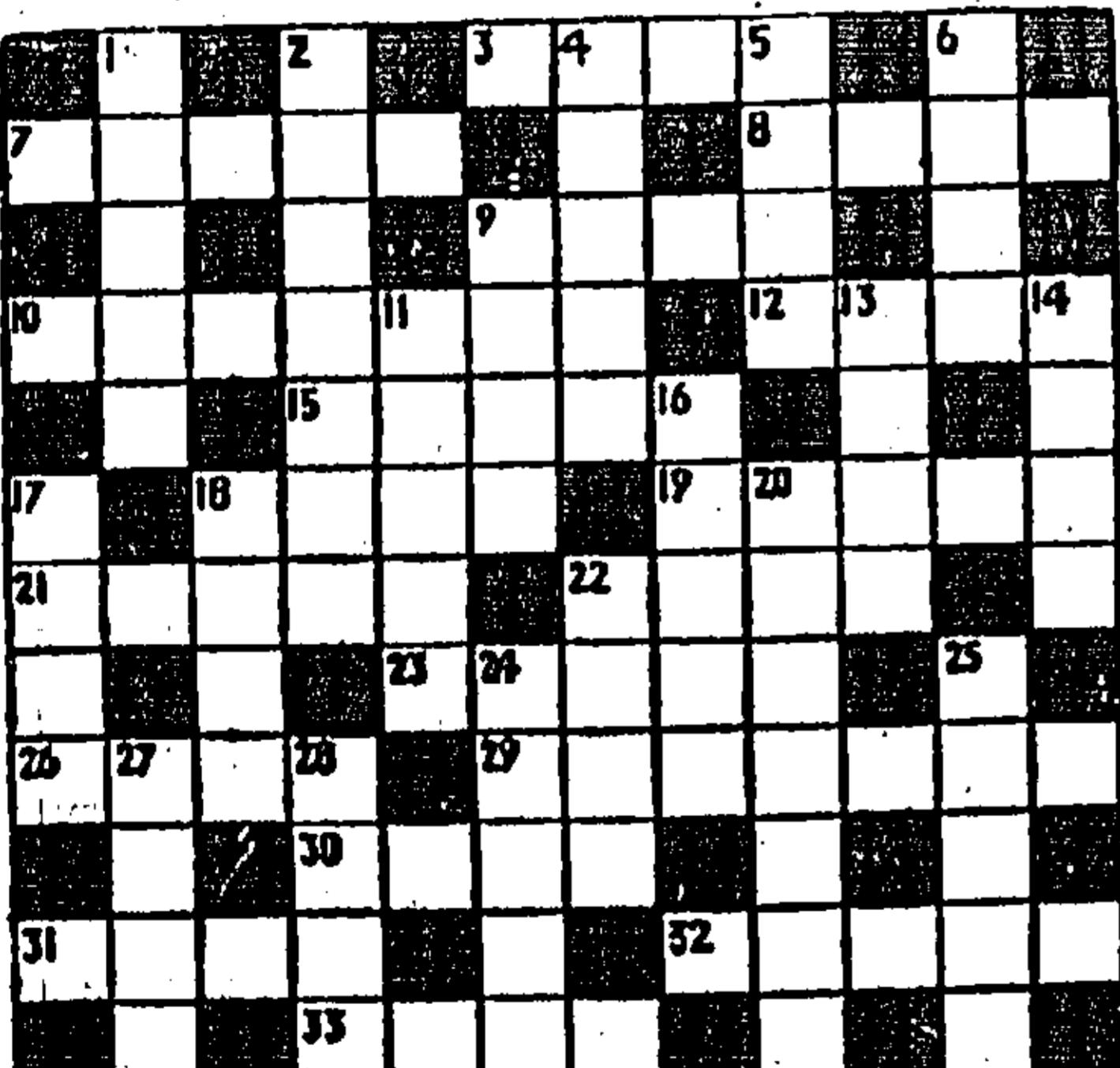
#### Old monarchs die

Lagos, Feb. 2.  
The deaths were reported today of two women monarchs who claimed 255 years between them.

The first was the traditional Queen of Big Auq Town. Her Royal Highness Ito Ekon Ewu Nyok, who claimed to be 130 years old. She was the daughter of the ninth king of the town, who ruled in the 1800s.

The second was Chief Marian Ayalie of Abeokuta, who claimed to be 125 years old. She was one of the most senior tribal chiefs in the western region.—UPI.

#### A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**  
3 Boat in a studio. (4)  
7 Ill-gotten gain? (6)  
8 A system obviously not  
existed. (4)  
9 Key attention. (4)  
10 A tract not fully devoid of  
vegetation, it seems. (7)  
12 They are often sat on. (4)  
15 Another home for a sail, per-  
haps. (6)  
16 Ring back to growl. (4)  
19 A goddess will entertain. (6)  
21 U.S. city. (6)  
22 Fog-end? (4)  
23 Once more profit is seen.  
(6)  
24 Jane Austen character. (4)  
29 Not in the pink. (7)  
30 Pin down. (4)  
31 Stuck up. (4)  
32 Not yet limited. (6)  
33 It can't change one's ap-  
pearance. (4)

**DOWN**  
1 Lights out! (9)  
2 Unhallowed. (7)  
4 As a letter it's all Greek to  
me. (9)  
5 Screw up one's courage. (4)  
6 Put to death. (4)  
9 He has something coming to  
him. (6)  
11 Novice priest's animal. (9)  
13 Some flora actually eat it!  
(4)  
14 Went at a fair pace. (4)  
16 Stain spoils this fabric. (6)  
17 Man, maybe, in his leisure.  
(4)  
18 Now a pessimist usually  
looks? (4)  
22 Biblical name. (4)  
24 Clutch, pieces of luggage.  
(6)  
25 Possibly a twin pair. (6)  
27 Chain letters? (4)  
28 Before long a person will  
lose his head. (4)

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Pewter, 7 Idea, 9 Upset, 10 Poster, 11 Puff, 12 Numismatic, 10 R.E. in, 16 Rasp, 19 True to type, 22 Hero, 23 Raven, 25 Elect, 26 Coape, 27 Shandy, 29 Brown, 2 Epsilon, 3 Thus, 4 Re-poni, 5 Dripit, 6 Cere, 8 Deuce, 12 Tense, 13 North, 14 Improved, 17 Strip, 18 Beings, 20 Omega, 21 Yield, 23 Eros.



For the birth of her third baby in a few weeks time, the Queen will once more be attended by Sister Helen Rowe, who was present for the births of both Prince Charles and Princess Anne. She was recently in Yorkshire to attend the 10-day-old Charlotte Ramden and her mother, who is the wife of Tony M. P. James Ramsden. Sister Rowe had attended the births of two more of the five Ramsden children, Emma, 2, Charlotte, and George, 6, whose births she assisted. —Express Photo.

## U.S. defence plans termed inadequate

Gen. Thomas S. Power, head of the Strategic Air Command, told Senate investigators today that U.S. defence plans were inadequate.

He urged Congress to add funds to President Eisenhower's budget to keep "the highest possible percentage" of bombers airborne at all times.

Gen. Power said the U.S. has the "decent margin" of air strength to keep Russia from attacking.

#### SOVIET MISSILES

But he held to his warning that unless steps are taken the time will come when 300 Soviet missiles could knock out the U.S. striking force in 30 minutes.

General Power, in stating that warning, refused to back away from a view which his arrangements are so tight that no opportunity appears to present itself.

As one Liberal said at a party: "Macmillan is rather like a prisoner in Groote Schuur" (Groote Schuur is the official residence of the South African Premier).—UPI.

#### Oil drillers drowned

Brunei, Feb. 2.  
Searchers recovered the bodies of two oil drillers from the flooded Barum River on Saturday, three days after they disappeared from the floating oil company village where they lived.

The victims were identified as Alexander Lawrence Drysdale, 28, and James Steward Miles, 27.

Both men were married, and Drysdale had two children.

A Brunei Shell Petroleum Co. Ltd. spokesman said Drysdale had vanished shortly before midnight on Wednesday.

Miles apparently was lost as he searched alone for Drysdale.

Both men came to the Shell camp at Brunei during 1958.—UPI.

#### Not quite

Dallas, Feb. 2.  
Dallas Shablon Akers, 52, asserted he was a "modern-day Robin Hood" when he was arrested on burglary charges. But Police said his "deals with the poor didn't fill the bill."

"Actually, Akers sold the items he stole at a discount to the poor," said detective Errion Hyatt. "I don't think he's much of a Robin Hood."—UPI.

—Reuter.

#### Soviet clairf

Moscow, Feb. 2.  
A Soviet scientist said tonight that Russia's launching of two rockets into the Pacific had been so successful that no further tests there would be necessary. The scientist was Dr Vlodya Stepanov, senior scientist at the Soviet Academy of Sciences.—UPI.

#### Record

Tokyo, Feb. 2.  
The Tokyo District Court's Civil Division courtroom set a record on Monday. For the first time in its history, it opened on time.—UPI.

## More car workers go on strike

Birmingham, Feb. 2.  
Seven hundred more men workers in the English car industry went on strike today.

Main centre of dispute was the British Motor Corporation's factory in Birmingham, where an open pay strike by 55 electricians had so far caused 25,000 other workers to be stood off in Birmingham, Oxford and Coventry.

An unofficial stoppage by 800 men over working conditions at Mulliners, Birmingham car body building subsidiary, had made 4,000 idle at the Standard-Triumph works at Coventry. The strikers at Mulliners decided today to return to work tomorrow.

A second unofficial walk-out by 30 sheet metal workers over a vacancy at the Rover Company plant at Coventry had brought out 2,000 other men there and in Birmingham.—Reuter.

## 2 killed in manoeuvres

Munich, Feb. 3.  
A civilian and a non-commissioned officer were killed and two soldiers and a woman injured on Tuesday during "winter shield" manoeuvres involving 60,000 American and West German troops in Bavaria.

This was decided today by a committee of the Belgo-Congolese round table conference charged with drawing up electoral rules for the polls in May and June to elect the Congo's Senate and provincial assemblies.

Congolese women will not be allowed to vote but can run for election.

Most Europeans in the Congo are civil servants or employees of large colonial firms.—UPI.

#### Inquiry

London, Feb. 2.  
The Governor of Nyassaland, Sir Robert Armitage, is to hold a formal inquiry into the demonstration at Blantyre during a visit of the Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, to the town last Tuesday. —Reuter.

## Unusual request to telephone company

Chicago, Feb. 2.  
A man by the name of Sigmund Soby likes the letter "A" and that's what bothers the Illinois Bell Telephone Company.

Soby and the telephone company tangled yesterday in a hearing before the Illinois Commerce Commission. At issue was Soby's demand that Illinois Bell list his telephone answering service in the Chicago directory as:

A  
AAA  
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AAAAAA  
AAAAAAA  
AAAAAAA  
AAAAAA

The telephone company contends its tariff forbids any unnecessary arrangements of names.

The Commerce Commission took the case under advisement.—UPI.

## Man, who drove nail into dog, appeals

Dunstable, Feb. 2.  
Peter Walker, 42, was released on £25 bail here today pending an appeal against a four-month prison sentence for driving a three-inch nail into the head of his dog "Buster."

Walker had pleaded guilty to causing unnecessary suffering to his five-year-old Bull Mastiff but not guilty to wounding it maliciously. He was sentenced to two months' consecutive imprisonment on each charge.

The Defence claimed at his trial that Walker, who was very fond of the dog, drove the nail into its head, intending to kill it humanely. The nail missed the brain and the dog made a complete recovery.

## Chinese leaving Indonesia

Jakarta, Feb. 2.  
Chinese Communists ships are en route to Indonesia to pick up the first batch of Chinese repatriates.

They are returning home as the result of the Indonesian government's ban on alien residents in rural areas.

The ships will pick up a total of 3,000 Chinese on the first trip.—UPI.

London, Feb. 2.  
Vicount Elbank asked the House of Lords whether the approximately £1 million pre-war claims of British nationals against Japan, which were filed in 1946, were any longer active.

Lord Lansdowne, Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, replied: "I am sorry to say little progress has been made recently."—Reuter.

## 'PAUL REVERE' WARNS OF ANOTHER BRITISH INVASION

New York, Feb. 2.  
Paul Revere, the legendary horseman who galloped his way into American history when he rode to warn of the coming of the British in the revolutionary war, brought news last night of another British invasion.

A man dressed as Revere, in black tricorn hat and cloak, and riding a white horse, braved the rush-hour traffic in Times Square to call attention to a giant new advertising sign for British Overseas Airways Corporation.

#### 3 'REDCOATS'

The sign, 75 feet high, towers over a busy corner in the heart of Broadway's theatreland, flanking a silhouette travel film of the countries served by BOAC on a giant white screen of neon bulbs.

While three large cheerful young men dressed in the uniforms of the British "Redcoats" stood guard on a platform above it, the sign flashed on for the first time, while Revere, with his horse pacing nervously in the lee of a traffic island amid the glare and din, obligingly pointed at it for photographers. —China Mail Special.

## U.S. EDITOR'S PROTEST TO BRITISH TV

New York, Feb. 2.  
An American magazine editor protested today that misrepresentation led him to appear on a British television programme which developed a theme of "What's wrong with the United States."

Norman Cousins, editor of the Saturday Review, appealed his protest to Kenneth Tynan, who produced the programme, "We Dissent," last Saturday, on the ITN network.

Mr Cousins requested the right to organise a programme on what's right with America, with Tynan to pay the expenses.

More than 30 Americans made filmed remarks on the 90-minute programme.

**NEVER AGREED**

The editor told Tynan he never agreed to appear on a programme on a theme of "What's wrong with the United States" nor did he know his remarks would be combined with those of others on a single programme.

Mr Cousins told an interviewer he was not accusing Tynan of bad faith but that the combined appearances of the Americans made it appear that there was a concerted effort to criticise the country.

Mr Cousins said he did not criticise the United States as such but that he had urged that it, along with the Soviet Union and Britain, step up efforts to end the arms race to eliminate the possibility of mass destruction.

He stressed that the race could not be ended by any one power alone.—UPI.



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## KING'S PRINCESS

TO-DAY

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL TIMES:  
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.30 & 9.40 P.M.HELD OVER  
2nd WONDERFUL WEEK!See The Season's Murrorst Comedy With Your  
Entire Family!

NEXT CHANCE

## "GUNFIGHT AT DODGE CITY"

Starring Joel McCrea — Julie Adams  
In CinemaScope — A United Artists Release

## ROXY &amp; BROADWAY

LAST 4 SHOWS TO-DAY

Owing to length of picture please note change of times:  
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.30 & 9.40 P.M.

Due to contractual obligations "The Big Circus" will be taken off to-morrow and brought back during the next six months.



Starring  
Victor MATURE  
Kathryn GRANT  
and Gilbert ROLAND

Rhonda FLEMING  
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## HOOVER GALA

SHOWING TO-DAY

AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.30 &amp; 9.40 P.M.

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## GREYHOUND WITH WRONG IDEA

## Preferred dogs to hare

Birmingham, Feb. 2. A man who claimed that a greyhound refused to chase the hare and preferred to chase the other dogs in the race had his action for damages dismissed in court here yesterday.

Mr David Kirkpatrick sued Mr A. J. Chetland from whom he bought the dog for £40. He claimed there had been a breach of warranty.

Mr Kirkpatrick said that the dog was unfit for racing and if it led the field it would wait for the other dogs to catch up. Mr Chetland contended that the dog was fit for racing 'at the time of sale.'

Giving judgment, the judge said that there were a number of reasons why a dog would not run honestly. It might be due to lack of courage, getting too experienced and becoming 'over' or due to its physical condition.

On its record he was not prepared to say that the dog, when sold had "a kink or vice not to chase the hare."

Costs were awarded to Mr Chetland.—China Mail Special.

## Oil imports worry coal men

London, Feb. 2. Sir James Bowman, Chairman of the National Coal Board, said yesterday the coal industry was seriously concerned over the quantities of fuel oil being imported into Britain.

Speaking at a luncheon held by the Coal Industry Society, Sir James said power stations with dual-firing facilities which were now burning oil should go back to coal.

"We are now in the frontal position of seeing oil being used in large quantities at power stations while we hold in stock ample supplies of fuel required by the electricity industry," he added.—China Mail Special.

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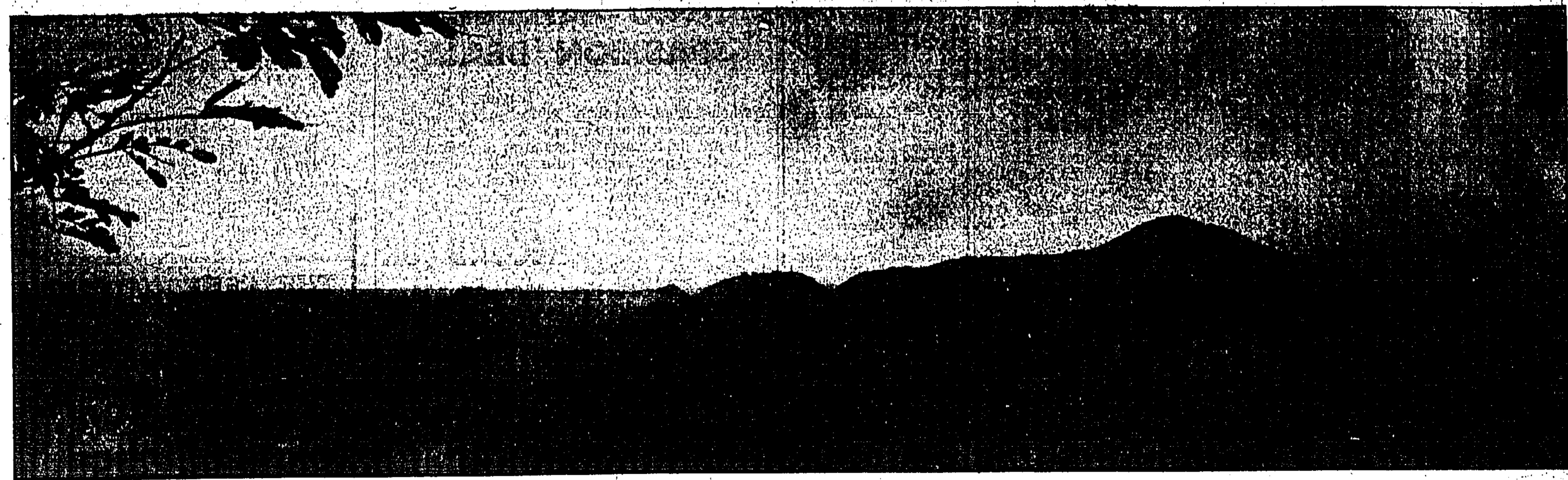
At 12.30 p.m. "THE BOY FROM OKLAHOMA"

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# THE KEY TO THE FUTURE...



THE population of Hongkong is increasing at the rate of 100,000 a year, which means that every year we need a new town as big as Tsun Wan to house the newcomers!

And can Hongkong offer 1,000 new jobs every month? It must—for that is the rate at which the number of new job-seekers have been and will be increasing, from 1957 to 1962.

For the next five years, from 1962 to 1967, the increase of our job-seekers will average 2,000 a month, which means Hongkong will then have to provide 2,000 new jobs every month to keep down the present army of unemployed.

The pressure of our fast-growing population has brought about problems of employment, water, food, clothing, housing, transport, education, sanitation, medical care, social services, and even law and order.

Where will this sea of humanity and its inherent problems overflow? In the New Territories, of course.

As Mr D. R. Holmes, District Commissioner, New Territories, put it: "We must look forward to the N.T. for the inevitable expansion. We'll have industries for employment and satellite towns for housing."

Mr. Holmes said, "Because more and more people are going to look for work and, because our land will not get any bigger, the majority of them must find employment with factories.

"Where are the new factories going to be? Of course out in the New Territories. The natural sites they will pick out will be where communications are most convenient by land and by sea—such as Tsun Wan."

This, he said, is why Government is proceeding with plans for reclamations to pave the way for satellite towns and industrialisation.

"Government will reclaim where it is feasible and economical to do so to relieve the land shortage," he declared.

"This is the way the N.T. will be brought in to redress the balance between urban and suburban development," Mr. Holmes added.

## Water

The New Territories are already tackling the various problems of overpopulation admirably.

A great deal of fresh meat, fish, poultry, vegetables and rice has been increasingly supplied by the N.T.

The bulk of the Colony's water is supplied by the big reservoirs in the N.T.—the famous Tseung Kwan O, Lam Chung and Shek Puk. Even the Plover Cove and Hebe Haven, are all in the N.T.

Tsun Wan, our "Lancashire" will clothe the Colony's populace at reasonable prices.

Roads, bus and ferry services have been increasing over the years, though somewhat slowly, to facilitate transport and communications.

The fifteen satellite towns in the making will accommodate several more millions, provided they take root and flourish. Even cinemas and schools are keeping pace with development. There are 12 cinemas scattered in the major N.T. towns, while four new cinemas are being built, one each in Yuen Long, Tsun Wan, Shek Puk and even far-off Tai O. Medical services and the Police Force are also being expanded in the N.T.

As to the employment problem, Tsun Wan alone has absorbed a quarter of Hongkong's labour force.

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## The New Territories story

by David Lan

men together with the enlargement of the police force—all "these will" provide opportunities for jobs.

In other words, the population which created our problems will themselves be put to work to solve the problems.

What would happen if the Colony if the N.T. did not exist?

Non-existent also would be these advantages. The chaos in the Colony would be unimaginable.

Could this happen? Not as long as there are the New Territories.

## New lease

Speaking on "Housing and Health" at a public meeting of the United Nations Association of Hongkong, on February 10 last year, she said:

"....The rate of interest charged to the Housing

Authorities on monies made available by Government is excessive and whereas, originally, the loans were being capitalised over 40 years, new loans now have to be paid back in 38 years. Next year it will be 37 years and so on.

"The sooner we negotiate a new lease for the New Territories the better. We shall, naturally, have to give a proper quid pro quo, but if, for instance, we were to offer to build an industrial atomic power station in the N.T. to supply a lot of South China, a new 99-year lease

would not be an unreasonable return."

The following day, Mr Arthur Lewis (Labour) asked in the House of Commons why the British Government would not take the initiative in discussing with the Chinese Government the ending of the lease of the New Territories, "indispensable" to the existence of Hongkong."

Mr John Profumo, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, was quoted as replying, "I do not think it would be profitable to start talking now about events so far ahead."

## Menace

Labour did not forget the problem. On April 17, last year, Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, Labour Secretary of State for the Colonies, raised the question again during a debate in the House of Commons.

"These territories were leased by China to Britain in

1898 for a period of 99 years," he said.

"What line is to be taken when the lease of the New Territories falls in? Is Britain to surrender the leased territories?"

Mr Creech-Jones also asked what possible arrangements could be made with China and the United Nations for the constitutional development of that territory."

These are questions which are being asked by thoughtful people today and which will have to be answered in the years ahead.

The nuclear plant proposal, however, is much more than a potential menace in the Colony. It has also been thought as capable of solving the Colony's problems of water and electric supply.

The water shortage is a potential menace in the Colony. In the past five years the average daily consumption has

"Should such a proposal be put into effect, there will be a number of complex financial, administrative and technical problems to be solved."

"And it is our view that the establishment of a Hongkong Electricity Authority such as we have recommended would facilitate the solution of such problems," the Commission pointed out.

It would seem open to doubt whether such a nuclear plant would measure up to the one referred to by Dr Alison Bell.

"But how many more times the cost of a nuclear plant is the future of Hongkong worth?" asked one observer.

"It is believed the authorities will leave no stone unturned in their attempt to find a solution to the impending problem of the lease."

## Solution?

Early in 1961, Government will have decided whether to adopt the Plover Cove project or the dual-purpose nuclear plant to distill sea water and simultaneously generate electricity.

What does the public think of the problem? The facts speak for themselves:

Householders and landowners are busy buying property north of Boundary Street at rents and prices about the same as on the south side.

How about the industrialists? In the remote towns of the N.T. one can find them pushing ahead with their plans for new factories.

The fishermen still set sail on their fishing trips.

The farmers still plough their land.

The spirit of Hongkong seems to say—"The show must go on!"

Against a backdrop of green mountains and blue sea, the sun rises in the east every day to raise the curtain on the scene—a scene in which a handicap race is being run against overpopulation and time, making slow but steady progress for the development of the land that is called the New Territories.

## THE END

# Behind the general is his wife... and she speaks her mind in this amazing interview!

From ROSALIE MACRAE

Paris.

MME MASSU, wife of the paratroop general who sparked the Algiers crisis, told me: "It was an ambush—and my husband fell into it." She was recalling how the general was sacked after a German newspaper quoted him as criticising President de Gaulle.

Auburn-haired Suzanne Massu, who is 43, walked aimlessly around her austere Paris flat and said: "My husband has been the victim of a wicked plot organised by the men who have wanted him out of sight since we went to Algeria five years ago.

"He did not give this interview to the German journalist. Every word was untrue. It was all fixed but we are powerless to sue or do anything about it. No one would heed us."

"And it makes me very sad to think that our comrades, the men we fought side by side with during the war could act like this."

**Crucifix**  
Madame Massu had come to her small sparsely furnished apartment in the Rue Léon, in the fashionable 16th District, to make arrangements for moving back there with her husband.

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## Mme Massu: If my husband had only one bullet in his gun...

shot the journalist or a fellow, he would shoot the fellow."

"My husband is sitting like a lost man in his hotel," she said. "He reads the newspapers, every edition as it comes in. People are being killed because they are loyal to my husband and want him back in Algeria."

"My husband loves Algeria and understands it. But he has known for many years now that people wanted him out of the way."

"Six months ago he realised that his time in Algeria might be limited. He felt like warning them of the blood-bath which would result if his command was taken away. But he kept quiet and this is the result."

## Untrue

"When the news of this so-called report came out, Jacques was called back to Paris. I didn't take it seriously. I thought he would be back in a few days after explaining to the General that it was all untrue."

"This journalist thought he could make up words, words and put them under my husband's beret. He has been very successful."

"If my husband had only one bullet in his gun and he had to

Algeria is dangerous and horrible and I shudder to think of what could happen."

"But I must go back to Mme Massu, her sunburned face lined with worry, looked around the sparse room flat again and said: "It was just an ambush and my husband fell into it."

"There was nothing he could do, and this could be the end of everything he has fought for. Now we will all have to get used to being chained here."

## Penniless

"Jacques will have a rest and then I don't know what will happen to him. We are penniless. Jacques has always been a soldier and soldiers do not have



"How long are we going to stand here before you offer the lady your seat?"

# WOMANSENSE

## JACOBY on BRIDGE

East was in there plucking one curve after another until finally North and South hit a home run.

In the play, West crept his ace and king of hearts and gave his partner a ruff. East returned the queen of diamonds at which point South remarked: "This hand might just wind up with a trump coup" and proceeded to trump that diamond lead.

Now South played the ace and king of trumps and when West showed out he was ready. He played a club to the ace. Discarded the queen of hearts and a club on the ace and king of diamonds; ruffed a

**NORTH** 18  
♦ 4  
♦ 9 5 4  
♦ A K 10 8 6 4  
♦ A K  
**WEST** 7  
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♦ 6 3 2  
♦ J 10 7 6 2  
♦ Q 9 7  
♦ A K Q 10 8 3  
♦ Q 8 2  
♦ None  
♦ Q 6 4  
**SOUTH (D)**  
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♦ Q 8 2  
♦ None  
♦ Q 6 4  
**North and South vulnerable**  
**South West** North East  
Pass Double Redouble 2♦  
Pass Pass Double Pass  
Pass Pass  
Opening lead—K

fourth diamond; played his last club to dummy's king and led another diamond.

East had to trump and South overruled and made the hand.

The trump coup is one of all old friends: plays in bridge and West, immediately pointed out that he could not have developed it if East had returned a club instead of a diamond.

South came to East's defense and pointed out in turn that he was sure the four rapsie double had been a double cross and that South would have deserved for the spade jack if he had not been given the chance for the coup.

**W.CARD** Service

Q—The bidding has been:

**South** West North East  
1♦ Pass 2 N.T. Pass  
1♦ Pass 3♦ Pass  
4♦ Pass 4♦ Pass  
5♦ Pass 6♦ Pass

You, South, hold:

♦ A Q 10 6 5 ♦ 9 J 8 7 ♦ A Q 5

What do you do?

A—Did you notice your partner is making a mild try for seven, but you are not interested?

**TODAY'S QUESTION**

Your partner bids three hearts over your three diamond bid. What do you do in this instance?

Answer Tomorrow

## FASHION FLASH

# The Woman of the year

## BARBARA GRIGGS

reports from

## PARIS

OPENING the Paris season, Jacques Griffe showed a collection in which softness and nostalgia had it all their own way.

Softness for the fabrics—indeterminate porridge tweeds, very thin light wools and silks, lace, chiffon, crepe de chine.

Softness for the shape—seated skirts, draped cowl necklines, puffed and tucked sleeves.

And the nostalgia! Almost every shape and detail a woman has enjoyed wearing, and a man is supposed to love her in, over the past 15 years.

### Femme fatale

THERE were dresses with baby-sized waists and full flaring skirts, starchily white schoolgirl collars; black feathered dresses draped to the side; ballerina-length skirts made out of 20 layers of tulle; broad black belts over box plaited skirts...

Large pink roses tucked into plumping necklines. And finally that most constant of all old friends: the shirtwaist dress, bustle length in black organza for evening.

There was also plenty of all-American navy highlighted with white.

The first dress in the show struck this note: full of skirt, demure of bodice, long on the sleeves, with a colossal white organdy collar outlining its modestly plumping neckline.

These big white collars were all over the place, on dresses, suits and coats alike.

### Hidesous

Suits, I thought, were hideous. Long jacketed, mainly in plain tweeds, with printed blouses bow tied at the neck.

Out of all the confusion one pretty shape hacked its way: a sleeveless dress with the arm hole slanting out of the waistline to drape prettily over the shoulder. Its neckline running straight across, its skirt flaring from a neat waist.

There were versions of this in fine white wool with a black patent belt, in navy wool, in white silk organza, scattered with tiny black hearts.

### Mornings

FOR the morning hours Schubert joins the Navy and sticks to his years-old theme of blue and white.

The little girl sea uniform for adult women is complete with

Nobody has ever handled chiffon more superbly than Jacques Griffe; this was a vintage example. Made in carnation pink, its scarf formed the upper part of a dress, swathing the shoulders, draping the bust, and bow-tied at empire level to flutter ankle-length in front.

Wholesalers will copy this one at their own risk. If they're looking for something here, I suggest they go for the Concilio evening dress in brilliant glassy-red silk, striped in cream.

In this grand French week, curiously, the starlet's pistol is now, traditionally, British, and the Eve-of-the-Collectors party at the London textile house of Ascher always gives on Sunday evening, in the Criterion Hotel overlooking the Place de la Concorde.

Here they display their new season's fabrics, almost every one of which will turn up at one or several of the collections.

Ascher's intensely exciting

fabric for this season has

one more one meets it—a

nostalgic, dim, 90's look, another

example of the way in which designer working completely independently will catch the same mood, sense simultaneously change in the fashion atmosphere.

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# West Indies struggling for runs

## 366 RUNS BEHIND ENGLAND WITH EIGHT WICKETS AND 5.5 HOURS TO GO

West Indies, set the mammoth task of scoring 501 in 10 hours for victory, struggled grimly for runs on the fifth day of the second Test against England here today.

With one day left for play, West Indies were 366 runs behind with eight second innings wickets in hand. They were then 134 for two, having made 112 in their reply to England's first innings total of 382. England declared their second innings this morning at 230 for nine.

England batted 45 minutes in 4½ hours to make 134 runs to add 34 runs for the loss of two wickets before May declared this morning. This left West Indies 10 hours' batting but they never looked like accepting the challenge when they soon fell far behind the clock in their anxiety to keep their wickets intact against some tight bowling.

### 48 in two hours

The openers, Conrad Hunte and Joe Solomon put on 23 runs in 45 minutes before lunch, but only 48 were added in the two hours between lunch and tea.

At that time Solomon was caught behind the wicket at 23 to give David Allen, the Gloucestershire spinner, his first Test wicket.

Allen gained another hard-earned wicket after tea at 107, when Swetman again held catch to remove Hunte for 47.

Both Kanhai, curbing his usual aggressive methods, batted carefully for 3½ hours in reaching 55 not out by the close.

West Indies have 5½ hours tomorrow in which to make 367 with eight wickets standing to win.

With the pitch showing only slight signs of taking spin, the task is not beyond their prolific scoring powers, but they were very disappointing in the first innings and they took just over

### Hongkong's Interport hockey team

The following have been selected to represent Hongkong in the annual Interport hockey match against Macau at the Beccaria ground on Sunday, February 13, at 3.30 p.m.

Goalkeepers—Kadir (Persons), Right-back—Smith (Army), Left-back—Harmann Singh (Nav Bharat), Right-half—Watt (Army), Centre-half—R. Silva (Recr), Left-half—R. A. Silva (Recr), Right-wing—Ralph (Army), Inside-right—Dallah (IRC), Centre-forward—Castro (Recr), Inside-left—Gardner (Captain—Nav Bharat), Left-wing—Gutierrez (Recr), Umpire: Krishnan Lall.

The Hongkong "B" team who will play the Macau "B" team at 2 p.m. on the same day and ground are as follows: Goalkeepers—Sooman (Nav Bharat), Right-back—Oliphant (Army), Left-back—Nosa (KCC), Right-half—Valoma (Macau), Centre-half—Coffey (KCC), Left-half—Bhagat Singh (Captain—Nav Bharat), Right-wing—Ling (Nav Bharat), Inside-right—Holmes (Army), Centre-forward—Zin Hulsein (Persons), Inside-left—Farid Khan (Nav Bharat), Left-wing—Collaco (Recr), Reserves: Gaford (HKKC), Alonso (Recr), Macaulay (HKKC), Santos (Recr), McCosh (KCC), Umpley: Captain Brunt.

### S. Korea beat Malaya at hockey

Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 2. The South Korean hockey team today gave the best performance of its current tour in beating Malaya 2-0 in return international match here.

The Koreans who beat Malaya 3-2 at the 1959 Tokyo Asian Games but lost 4-0 on Saturday made amends today for their disappointing performances earlier in the tour when they lost their first five games.

The star of the Korean success was centre-forward Kim Yuen Bong who scored both goals — in the 6th minute off a short corner, and then in the 20th minute of a pass from inside-left Kwan Oh Wan.—AP.

### ENTRIES FOR JUNIOR ASIAN CUP SOCCER

Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 2.

Indonesia is to be invited to take part in the second Junior Asian Cup soccer tournament as soon as Malaya has been admitted to the Asian Football Confederation.

Mr. Kwoh, Secretary of the Football Association of Malaya, has written to Lee Wai-long of Hongkong, Secretary of the AFC to check on a Jakarta report that the Indonesian Football Association has applied to join the AFC.

Kwoh said six countries will take part in the competition, due to start on March 30. They are Japan, Thailand, the Philippines, Burma, Singapore and Malaya. South Korea, who won the last competition, are uncertain to enter because the tournament will clash with the school term in that country.—AP.

### TAE GAMBOLS



### British Olympic team lose to Arsenal



Photo shows Arsenal goalkeeper Standen punching clear in last week's floodlit match between the professional team and a British Olympic trial XI. The professionals, not surprisingly, won 4-0; but their easy win boded ill for the Olympic chances of the British side, who in Italy will be coming up against State-sponsored teams, especially from Iron Curtain countries, whose normal level of football is fully professional.—The Times Photo.

### Paul Pender named boxer of the month by Ring Magazine

New York, Feb. 2. For his recent victory over Sugar Ray Robinson, Paul Pender was named "Boxer of the Month" for January by the Ring Magazine which, in publishing its ratings today, listed him as world middleweight champion with Robinson and National Boxing Association champion Gene Fullmer as co-challengers.

In the United States Pender appeared from the top ten because of his knockout defeat by Donny Ursul of the Philippines as do the other 48 States.

In the heavyweight class Ring Magazine replaced Floyd Patterson with Zora Folley as No. 1 challenger to Sweden's world champion Ingemar Johansson.

Ireland's Johnny Caldwell took over as No. 10 flyweight challenger from Venezuela's Ramon Calatayud who dis-

appeared from the top ten because of his knockout defeat by Dominy Ursul of the Philippines.

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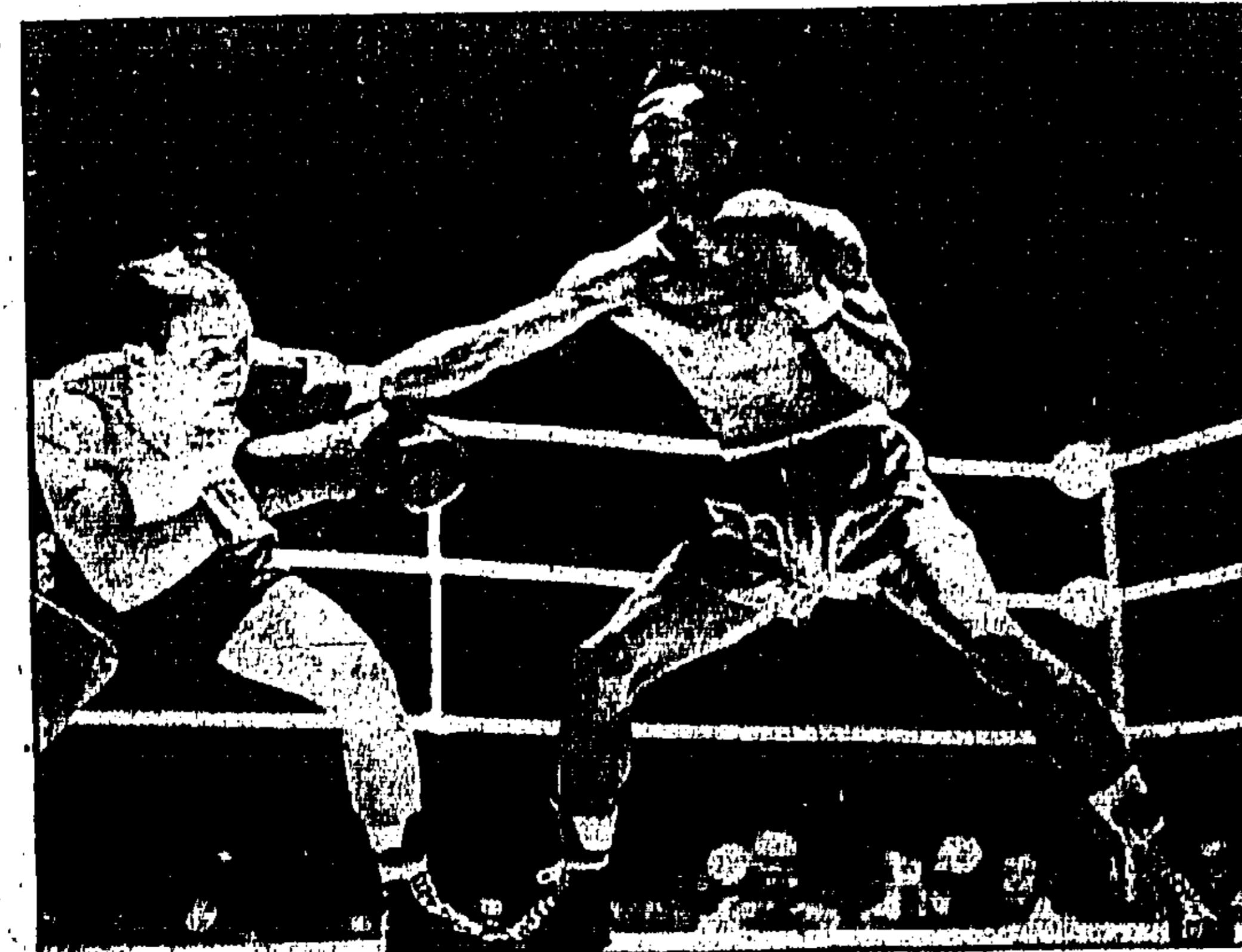
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ABOVE: The main highlights of the past week's sports in the Colony were provided by the visiting Peruvian football team who beat the all-Hongkong XI on Thursday by 5-0 and followed this up with a 3-1 victory over the Combined Chinese on Saturday. The visitors will play two more matches in Hongkong—one against an all-Hongkong team this day and the other against an HKFA XI on Wednesday, Feb. 10. Photo shows one of their outstanding players, goalkeeper Fernando Carpena, making one of his spectacular saves during the Peruvians' first match against all-Hongkong.

BELOW: The captain of the two teams, Yiu Cheuk-yin (all-Hongkong) and Oscar Montalvo (Peruvians) are seen exchanging banners prior to the start of the match, while referee Mr E. Darbyshire looks on.—China Mail photos.

RIGHT: A group photo of the USS "Renville" softball team, who, representing USA, won a major upset victory over Portugal in the International Series semi-final last Friday. They will now meet China in the final during the Easter holidays.—China Mail photo.



## SPORTS PICTORIAL



Major Arnold, a consistent scorer for Brigado, goes out to a catch in the gully by Galloway off Bell after scoring only five runs in the first division match against KCC at Cox Road last Saturday. The match ended in a draw with Brigado gaining the bonus point.—China Mail photo.



ABOVE: One of the Cambridge University practice crews working out on the Cam last week in early training for the Spring Boat Race against Oxford—always for the British public the major rowing event of the year.—The Times photo.

LEFT: The Amateur Swimming Association has installed for the exclusive use of 15-year-old Bournemouth schoolgirl Marion Watson a special type of springboard, similar to those used during the Olympic Games. This is a good pointer to their high hopes for Marion who is the main British Olympic diving hope in the Rome Games this August. Marion already holds the British senior and junior titles. Photo shows Marion showing just exactly what she can do from her new board.—Central Press photo.

BELOW: Empire featherweight champion Percy Lewis last week outpointed Européan champion Gracieux Lampert of France in a fight billed as a final eliminator for American Davey Moore's world crown. But neither fighter showed a form that would give him a chance with Moore. Lewis 40-tapped his way to an impressive collection of points, but never once looked like hitting Lampert, who in turn rarely looked like hitting Lewis. Photo shows Lewis landing a right on the inoffensive Lampert.—London Express photo.



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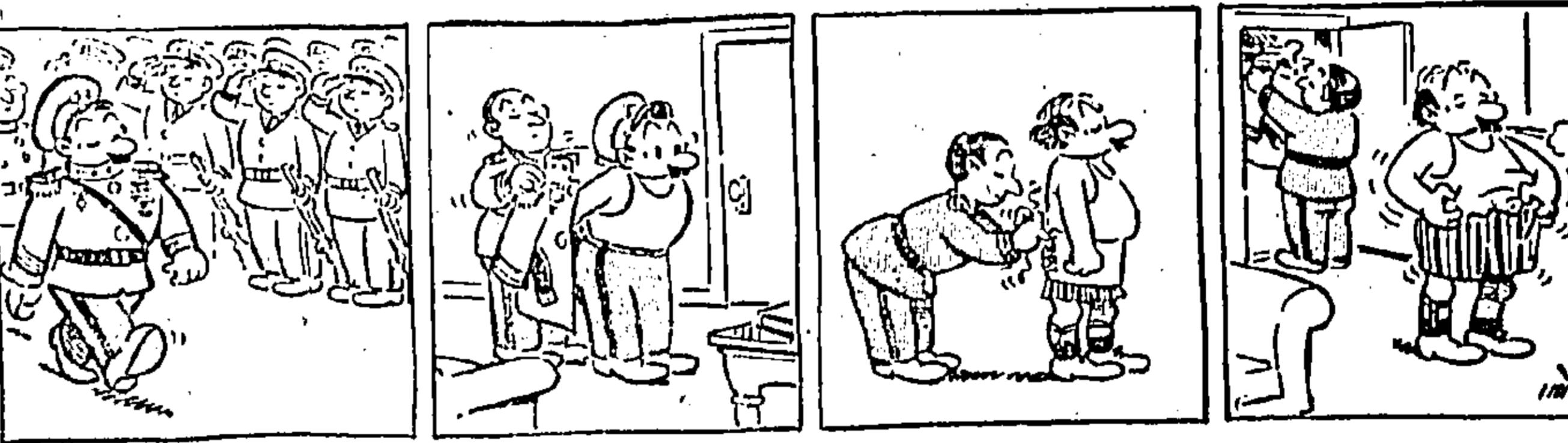
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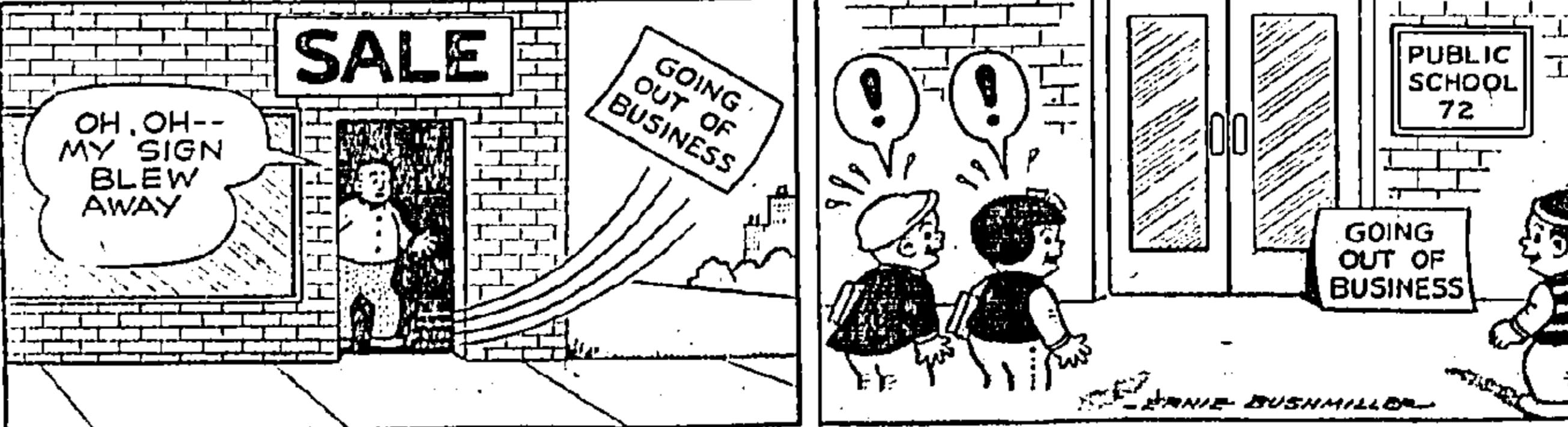


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**Stealing charge quashed**

Mr Justice C. W. Reece at the Appeals Court this morning quashed a conviction on a larceny charge in an appeal brought by a 40-year-old man, Tso Chui-chun.

Tso had been convicted by a magistrate on a charge of stealing two bags of cement.

Quashing the conviction, Mr Justice Reece remarked that to sustain a conviction on a larceny charge it must be established that the property stolen belonged to some one, and in the present case there was no evidence of ownership.

Mr Justice Reece also quashed the conviction on a second charge of breach of bond which had been registered following the conviction on the larceny charge.

**Bad record: no reduction in sentence**

Mr Justice C. W. Reece in the Appeals Court this morning dismissed an appeal against a 24 months' sentence on two charges of larceny brought by Chow Sang.

The Judge remarked that standing alone, the sentence would appear to be severe, but having regard to the accused's record of 10 previous convictions, some for a similar offence, he did not think he should interfere with the sentence.

Mr Justice Reece also dismissed an appeal by Tang Loong against a six months' sentence for heroin possession.

"If you behave yourself in jail, you will get a reduction in penalty," his Lordship said. "That's the best advice I can give you. I am afraid I cannot help you on this occasion."

**Sales chief**

Mr Graham Martin-Turner, Overseas sales director of Formica Ltd, will arrive in Hongkong this afternoon from London on a tour of Far East markets.

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**15 YEARS AFTER, A SUPERINTENDENT STILL HOPES TO CATCH THE HEDGEROW KILLER**  
**The police chief keeps his date with witchcraft**

By ANTHONY DAVIS

A village is waiting for the return of a county police chief who still hopes to solve a 15-year-old murder, believed to be Britain's last witchcraft killing. Every year since the murder Superintendent Alex Spooner has made a journey back to the Warwickshire village of Lower Quinton.

**Now Singapore wants ban on HK plastic exports**

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Singapore plastic manufacturers are clamouring for restrictions on imports of Hongkong-made plastic goods.

Seven Singapore manufacturers are banding themselves together to form a federation whose major purpose would be to bring about a Government order restricting foreign imports.

One leading manufacturer said in Singapore on Monday that the Singapore market was almost entirely flooded with plastic goods made in Hongkong, U.K. and Japan.

"So keen is the competition that our own products almost cannot find foothold in the local market," he said.

**Hongkong's share**

"From January to August last year, a total of \$3,640,000 worth of plastic goods was imported into this area.

"Of these, 40 per cent came from Hongkong, 30 per cent from Japan and ten per cent from U.K."

He demanded that the Singapore Government adopt a protective policy so that the local industry could be maintained and expedited to give more employment.

The seven plastic manufacturers in Singapore annually turn out \$400,000 worth of products 80 per cent of which are export to Malaysia.

Said Mr S. K. Young, Chairman of the Hongkong Plastics Manufacturers' Association, "There is nothing we can do to stop them from raising a protective tariff.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**The Boycott**

Sir, - I find your editorial "The Wrong Way" much more muddle-headed than you allege Labour policy to be.

South Africa has shown herself time and again to be unbending before moral pressure so why should a different sort of pressure be applied to make her change a very reprehensible policy? Boycotts have been used successfully by the Chinese against the Japanese before and if every nation had followed by the economic executives of the League of Nations against Italy when Mussolini was engaged in his adventure in Ethiopia that sordid chapter in history might have taken a different turn.

You say that "... no matter how much we dislike their policies, Britain has no right to interfere in the government of their country." Under modern conditions the line between domestic and foreign affairs is fast becoming a myth. If the Jews were being sent anew to gas chambers would you merely confine yourself to saying "Please, don't?" Or would you excuse the policy by muttering such pious platitudes as "let him who is without sin cast the first stone?"

Furthermore, your worthy contemporary, the South China Morning Post, is currently publishing the memoirs of Sir Anthony Eden in which that astute statesman has argued eloquently that there are certain circumstances that makes interference in the affairs of another necessary.

You say that the Labour inspired boycott would cause strained relations between two members of the Commonwealth. If you are as concerned about the Commonwealth as you pretend to be you would know that the main policy of South Africa is according to the utmost its relationship with another member of the Commonwealth - namely, India or doesn't India count because she is "coloured?"

I say more power to the boycott and I for one will not buy South Africa. That is not to say that I am without sin. There are varying degrees of sin and the South African denial of equality strikes at the very root of the democratic system which I presume you also believe in.

NUTS.

London, Feb. 2.

On February 14, 1945 - St. Valentine's Day - 74-year-old hedgecutter Charles Walton was found dead near his home there. His throat was slashed with his own billhook. His body was stapled to the ground with his own pitchfork.

Why does the superintendent make his annual visit on the anniversary of the murder?

He told me, "I go to the village and talk to people. I let myself be seen. If the murderer is still about he wants the crime forgotten. My return shows him that it has not been forgotten and may wear him down."

"I don't need the file. Every date and every detail is in my mind."

It was at noon that death came to Charles Walton as he cut a hedge on Moon Hill.

The old man, short-tempered with the villagers, was reputed to talk and sing to birds and animals.

And when the police began their investigation, a disturbing question loomed: Was witchcraft behind the killing?

**DAY OF SACRIFICE**

In 1945 an 80-year-old woman had been similarly murdered at Long Crompton, 10 miles away on the same ridge of hills. The murderer confessed that he killed her because he believed she was a witch.

Witchcraft evidence piled up. Folklore experts told the police that St. Valentine's Day was a sacrificial day and that the hedgecutter's blood might have been intended to revitalise the soil.

Statements were made by people from miles away, who claimed to know secrets of black magic groups.

"The villagers do not like the witchcraft theory," said Superintendent Spooner. "But Bob Fubank, of Scotland Yard superintendents who also worked on the case believed in it."

No other motive was found.

"He had no enemies and we had no reason to think that he had any secret heard of money," said the superintendent. "His purse was in his cottage."

"The only thing taken so far as we know was the cheap oil which he carried."

**THEY WON'T TALK**

In Lower Quinton, seven miles from Stratford-on-Avon, villagers still turn away when the subject is raised. "No one wants to talk about it," a newcomer told me.

Walton's cottage has now been pulled down. His niece, who kept house for him, has married and moved away. Many of his friends are dead.

One man who knew him, Mr Charles Robbins, former landlord of the College Arms, told me: "We try to forget the affair."

One thing is certain. Superintendent Spooner will not forget the affair. He still has five years to serve - and his colleagues do not expect him to drop the case - London Express Service.

**Road accidents**

Three persons, including a man of 79 and a nine-year-old boy, were injured in traffic accidents yesterday.

A man has been detained by the Police for questioning.



MR HOWELL

**Leaving after 30 years in Colony**

China Mail Reporter

Mr and Mrs J. S. Howell, popular members of the Hongkong community for more than 30 years, will leave the Colony on retirement on March 10, by the *USS Hamburg*.

Mr Howell was posted to Hongkong by his firm, Norris, Henry and Gardiners, Ltd, in February, 1930, and was attached to the staff of Doddwell and Co. Ltd, which had represented Norris, Henry and Gardiners for ten years.

Mr Howell was a specialist in diesel machinery, but when he first arrived in Hongkong there were only six launches running in the harbour which were fitted with semi-diesel engines.

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**WENT TO SHANGHAI**

In 1931 Mr Howell went to Shanghai for one year to re-engage the Shanghai General Omnibus Company's Tilling Stevens petrol electric buses.

The vehicles were constructed in 1931 and are many now.

For the whole of the war years Mr Howell was interned at Stanley, where he worked with others in the Stanley workshop.

He has been an active member of the last few years of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, his cruiser "Falk Lady" winning the cruiser championship "B" Class 58.

Mr and Mrs Howell intend to retire down in the New Forest area.

Mr Howell returned to Hongkong and arranged for the re-engining of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company's business and the China Motor Bus Company's.

The vehicles were constructed in 1931 and are many now.

They will be met by Air Vice Marshal and Mrs P. D. Holder.

Air Vice Marshal and Mrs Holder will leave Hongkong on the *Carthage*, sailing February 13. They will leave from Queen's Pier at mid-day by RAF launch.

Mr Howell is the A.O.C. designate, Air

Commodore P. L. Donkin, is due

to arrive with Mrs Donkin, his

handbag, sealed, containing \$10,415,

a gold necklace with a pendant

worth \$100 and a pair of

leather gloves.

It was also alleged that im-

mediately after the robbery,

Hon used personal violence.

No plea was taken.

**Man on murder charge called a "boozier"**

Wong Fat, the foreman of the Hot Tung electro-plating factory, was testifying at the committal proceedings against 39-year-old Chung Yau-hing, charged with the murder of Wong Cheuk-lam on December 16 at the Sun Fat electric blub factory at 31 Meldstone Lane.

Wong said that the accused had been working in the factory as an electro-plater for about five

or six months and during that

time, he was known as a "boozier" as he drank quite a lot.

**SAW HIM DRUNK**

"I saw him drunk before, but not quite as drunk as he was on December 16 while he was dining with me and several other workers."

"He drank more than the rest of us, having taken three glasses of Chinese wine and some beer."

Wong said that after dinner, he went out to the backyard to boil some water for his bath and during that interval, he heard a commotion inside.

He went in to investigate and saw accused being held down on the floor by two workers. He added that he took accused to a chair and then went outside and told "Hukka Girl," the nickname given to Cheung Kung, to fight with accused as he was drunk.

"On coming back to the factory, I saw two workers, Cheung Cheong and Cheung Wing-ki trying to snatch something from accused."

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**GAVE A HAND**

"I went to them and gave a hand. Cheung Cheong succeeded in snatching a triangular file from accused and we then took him back to the factory."

"On the way, I saw a man lying on the ground, so after having secured accused on the same chair, I dialled 699 and an ambulance and the police arrived 10 minutes later. Accused was handed over to the police."

Wong identified the file as that belonging to him and that he used it for scraping bearings.

It was kept in his tool box and the last time he used it was five or six days before December 16, he added.

Hearing continues.

**New AOC due tomorrow**

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**CLOTHING STOLEN**

A thief broke into the third

floor flat